THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE GODA RAGHURAM

W.P. NO. 15246 OF 2006

Between:

A.Srinivasa Reddy s/o Narayana Reddy,
Karman Ghat, Hyderabad.

… Petitioner

And:

The Government of A.P. rep. by its Chief Secretary,
Secretariat, Hyderabad and others.

… Respondents

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ORAL ORDER:

It is the conceded position at the Bar that the issues arising in this writ petition are covered by the decision of this court dated 21.4.2006 in W.P.No. 8113 of 2006. In the light of the order of the Supreme Court dated 16.11.2002 in IA Nos. 697 and 698 directing that no State or Union Territory shall permit unlicensed saw-mills, veneer, plywood industry to operate and they are directed to close all such unlicensed units forthwith and further mandating that no State Government or Union Territory will permit the opening of any saw-mill, veneer or plywood industry without the prior permission of the Central Empowered Committee, the earlier license erroneously granted to the petitioner to operate a timber depot and saw-mill in Hyderabad, is seen to be invalid and contrary to the directions of the Supreme Court, aforesaid.

In the circumstances the impugned order dated 17.01.2006 declining grant of renewal to the license unauthorized granted on

3.2.2003 to the petitioner is seen to suffer from no infirmity. The petitioner is at liberty to apply to the respondent for grant of fresh license. As and when such application is made, the same be referred by the competent authority i.e., the Central Empowered Committee – the 4th respondent, which authority will then take a decision in accordance with law.

The writ petition is dismissed. No order as to costs.

Dt: 25.07.2006 ----------

Pvsn/Tsnr Justice G.Raghuram